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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1896

Democratic Ticket.
For President
WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN
Of Lincoln, Nebraska
For Vice President
ARTHUR SEWALL
Of Bath, Maine
Presidential Electors.
FRED METZ,
O. W. PALM,
F. J. HALE,
X. PIASECKI,
N. O. ALBERTS,
S. L. KONTRYZE,
J. N. CAMPBELL,
M. F. HARRINGTON.
For Congress 6th District
W. L. GREENE
For Senator 14th District
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For Representative, 52d District
.....
For County Attorney
D. H. THURSTON
For Commissioner 2d District.
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Next week we will all celebrate.

There seems to be some doubt regarding Iowa, but Indiana and Illinois are all right.

We cannot restore confidence, either to the treasury or to the people, without a change in our present tariff laws—Major McKinley.

There are those who claim that the election depends upon the result in Cook county, Illinois. Chicago is getting to the front and New York will have to take a back seat in politics hereafter.

Those republicans who are confidently figuring on the solid railroad vote for their candidate for president are going to be treated to a big surprise party when the votes are counted next week.

The man who threw the eggs at Carlisle in Kentucky last week, belongs in the same class with the hoodlums of Yale college who insulted Bryan at New Haven, and should be summarily dealt with. But have you noticed what a cry the republican press is making against the first named outrage, while the Bryan episode was quickly hushed up?

Our friends, the enemy, are very much wrought up over a story that came from Sidney that Hon. W. L. Greene was drunk while there. Of course he ought not to have carried with the wine cup, but the opposition have nothing to brag about. They seem to have forgotten that Matt Daugherty ran for congress in this district two years ago.

Down with trusts!
Down with plutocracy!
Down with monopolies!
Down with all forms of organized oppression to labor.
Honest poverty and honest property are alike to be respected.
Equitable taxation is just taxation, and the people should be taxed in proportion to their ability to pay.

Certain prominent(?) citizens of Bassett thought to work a scheme on W. L. Greene while he was here to speak last Tuesday. Two of these sleek gentlemen put up the money and a third one purchased the whiskey, (making affidavit that it was for medical purposes) and delivered it to the fourth sleek gentleman(?) whose duty it was to "see" Mr. Green and "fix him." The scheme didn't work, boys; and you had better crawl into your holes and hide, for shame! Your

A WORD OF WARNING

To the Voters of Cherry County:

We desire to call your attention to a fact that is liable to cost our candidate for President, William J. Bryan, a great many votes. The candidates of the gold standard democrats are designated on the official ballots to be used November 3d as "democrat," while the Bryan electors are designated as "Peoples, Independent-Democrat." It is very important that voters should know who the Bryan electors are. If you wish to vote for Bryan be sure to place an X after the following names:

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS	VOTE FOR EIGHT
Nels O. Alberts, Clay county	Peoples, Independent-Democrat X
Jacob N. Campbell, Nance	Peoples, Independent-Democrat X
Fielden J. Hale, Madison	Peoples, Independent-Democrat X
Michael F. Harrington, Holt	Peoples, Independent-Democrat X
Stanley L. Kostoryz, Fillmore	Peoples, Independent-Democrat X
Olaf W. Palm, Lancaster	Peoples, Independent-Democrat X
X. Piasecki, Howard county	Peoples, Independent-Democrat X
Fred Metz, Sr., Douglas	Peoples, Independent-Democrat X

Bryan's name will not appear on the ballot. The way to vote for him is to make an X after the above names. It is important, too, that the entire state ticket of the Democrat and Peoples Independent parties should be elected and every man who believes in honesty and economy in the management of our state and its institutions should vote for the following persons:

- For Governor. SILAS A. HOLCOMB.
- For Lieutenant Governor. J. E. HARRIS.
- For State Secretary. W. F. PORTER.
- For State Auditor. JOHN F. CORNELL.
- For State Treasurer. J. N. MESERVE.
- For Attorney General. C. J. SMYTH.
- For State Superintendent. W. R. JACKSON.
- For Commissioner. J. V. WOLFE.
- For Judges Supreme Court, Long Term. WILLIAM NEVILLE, Short Term. J. S. KIRKPATRICK.
- For University Regent. THOMAS RAWLINGS.

Don't forget to vote for the constitutional amendment which provides for increasing the number of supreme judges. Also that regarding the investment of the permanent school fund.

ROBERT GOOD, Chairman Democratic County Central Committee.
G. P. CRABB, Peoples Independent County Central Committee.

THE STATE TICKET.

The state ticket placed in the field by the united forces of bimetalism commends itself to every lover of honest government and economy in public affairs. It is made up of strong men—strong in devotion to principles of economy, fairness and honesty. It is not a ticket made up of office-seekers or political roustabouts. It is a ticket made up of men who have long been leaders in the warfare for the emancipation of the people from corporate rule. It is above criticism.

The nominee for governor is Silas A. Holcomb, whose record as a public servant is one of unswerving fidelity to the people. Governor Holcomb, in the face of determined opposition, has inaugurated a system of economy in state affairs that has saved the taxpayers many thousands of dollars. When aided by officials who are in sympathy with him and unhampered by those who set party reward above public good, he will save thousands more to the tax ridden and ring ruled citizens of Nebraska. His administration of the governor's office has been marked by executive wisdom, close attention to official duty and fidelity to the best interests of the whole people.

James E. Harris, the nominee for lieutenant governor, has been tried in public office and has never been found wanting. Clean, capable and earnest, he has always stood by the people he represented, unswerving by outside influences. As a member of the senate he was a leader, and in the presiding officer's chair he displayed a knowledge of parliamentary law that will stand him in good stead when he assumes the duty of presiding over the senate of Nebraska.

C. J. Smyth, the candidate for attorney general, is a self-made man. He has gone up from the ranks by force of his own character, and stands today as a tribune of the people. An able lawyer, a clean man and with a determination to conduct the office with an eye single to justice and equity, he will work a reform long needed in the state's legal department.

The candidate for treasurer is John B. Meserve. He is an experienced financier, and stands committed to carry out the wishes of the people as expressed in the law regarding those who care for public funds. His whole life is a guarantee that he will do as he agrees when elected. Mr. Meserve has been elected to an office of financial trust by those who know him best, and a re-election shows how well and carefully he has cared for the interests of his constituents.

William F. Porter, the candidate for secretary of state, has had an experience in public life that will materially assist him in caring for the clerical

interests of this great state. He is fully capable of administering the affairs of that responsible office. His honor as a man is above reproach, and his ability has never been called into question.

John F. Cornell, the candidate for auditor of public accounts, is a man schooled in finance and devoted to the cause of honesty and economy in the administration of public affairs. When he is auditor, no doubtful accounts will receive his sanction, and no corrupt insurance ring will be able to secure whatever it may desire. He cannot be made a tool to do the bidding of any combination against the interests of the people.

William R. Jackson, candidate for superintendent of public instruction, is an educated gentleman and a practical educator. He has a splendid education, and is devoted to the upbuilding of the educational interests of the state. As a Christian gentleman he is not above associating with pure womanhood, and has never sought to cast a reflection upon the unfortunate women who have to battle for their daily bread. A vote for Mr. Jackson is a vote to place the education of the children in the hands of a man who will not allow political bias to interfere with the business administration of educational affairs.

Jacob V. Wolfe is the candidate for commissioner of public lands and buildings. Mr. Wolfe has been a leader in the struggle for emancipation from ring rule in Nebraska, and is a pioneer in the reform movement. He is able and earnest, energetic and devoted to the cause of the common people. The voters of Nebraska know him to be an honest and true man.

Thomas W. Rawlins is the candidate for regent of the state university and is competent to fill the important office. He has the best interests of the institution at heart, and will work for its upbuilding.

The candidates for the supreme bench are Judge William Neville and Judge W. S. Kirkpatrick. They are known as able jurists, and are above any suspicion of corporate control.

From top to bottom the ticket is composed of strong and able men, and a majority of Nebraska's voters ought to give it their sanction on election day.—World Herald.

That the Hon. Robert Good, of Valentine, has withdrawn as the democratic nominee for the legislature, for the reason that he has not been a resident of the district the required length of time, how could the democrats of this 52nd representative district do better than to vote for W. H. Horton? We leave it for them to say.—Springview Herald.

If you believe in economy, vote for the court house bonds. They will save the county \$300 per year.

The "promising" candidate for congress, A. E. Cady, will not be so promising after November 3. This is unfortunate in some respects, and fortunate in others. Mr. Cady will be saved a whole lot of trouble trying to convince constituents that he is endeavoring to redeem his promises, and will save them lots of disappointment.

From the way republicans howl it is evident that they think Bill McKinley has a chattel mortgage on all the prosperity within the borders of the United States. If this is true our advice is that they ought to be careful because Mark Hanna is liable to foreclose his mortgage on McKinley at any time and then our prosperity will be lost, for Mark was never known to give up anything.—Ainsworth Home Rule.

Governor Holcomb has made the best executive the state of Nebraska ever had; and our people are wise enough to know it. Jack Mac-Coll on his party all he wants to, and after election may sit down and try to find out just where the Holcomb is at. This is awful, boys, but it is the second attempt we have made at punning this year, and your indulgence is craved for the offence. While we are at it though we might as well remark that the "Joss of Canton" would be sure of election if the people didn't know "Mack kin lie" but as it is not even will Henry Corbett a Cady on the result, although he would not have to Russell much to find a taker. Well, we have relieved our mind a little anyway, and after election will tell Hanna that Thurston caught the votes of the people for county attorney, and that they were Walcott, too. That's all, thank you.

When a candidate is driven to such an extremity that he is obliged to confine all his addresses to appeals to the prejudices of his audiences it may be put down for a certainty that his cause is a hopeless one. Of course this has no reference to Bryan.—Stuart Ledger.

Of course it hasn't. That refers to Hon. A. E. Cady, the republican candidate for congress from this district. We do not know just what he promised the voters of Holt county, but will wager he promised something. He promises the Boyd county farmer one thing, the Brown county people another, the Sheridan county folks still another and the residents of Dawes county something else. That's all right, provided Mr. Cady would redeem those promises of his, but cruel fate will never put him to the test. W. L. Greene will occupy Kem's seat in the house of representatives after this year.

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY.

The contest for the office of county attorney goes merrily on, and so far as this paper is able to learn the contest is being conducted on clean and legitimate lines. But here as elsewhere the candidates seem to have lost sight of local issues entirely and are talking "free silver," "gold standard," "Bryan" and "McKinley" regardless of the aptness of the questions. Just why a man should be elected county attorney because he is a republican, or a populist, or a democrat is not clear, but that seems to be the principal plea being made by and for at least one of the candidates. True, the populist friends of Thurston are denouncing Walcott as an "office seeker" and complain that he has been fed at the public crib long enough, but that is the only issue, outside of finance which has been raised.

Judge Walcott is a pretty good man, and is well known, having been in public life so long, and therefore has a small advantage over Thurston, who is as good or better lawyer but lacks the wide acquaintance of Walcott. From reports received at this office the election will be a close one on these two gentlemen, and considerable sweating may be indulged in by the candidates before the final returns come in. While we do not wish to cast any aspersions upon Judge Walcott, we must say that the voters of Cherry county will prove delinquent to their duty if they do not elect D. H. Thurston. He is young, clean and able, is engaged in no schemes and entangled in no debts, has a clean record behind him and a bright future before him, and if elected will give the county an administration of the prosecuting attorney's office which may be pointed to with pride.

LETTER FROM ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, Mo., October 24, 1896.

To The Valentine Democrat:—

As the campaign draws to a close, the excitement rises to a fever heat. Especially is this case in the Mississippi valley, where the war is being waged with the utmost vigor by both sides. The writer has by close observation become acquainted with the condition of affairs in the two great states of Illinois and Missouri. As to the latter state, there is no doubt whatever but that it will give Bryan a majority of at least 62,000. This is a very conservative estimate, the Democratic State Committee claiming it by 80,000. The city of St. Louis has never gone democratic but once since 1864. This year Bryan will carry the city by at least 5,000. Kansas City will give at least 4,000 for him, and the state at large will swell the total to the above named figure. Mark Hanna has given up the fight in Missouri. No speakers of any prominence have been sent into the state by the republicans. Wherever one goes, Bryan enthusiasm hold full sway. In front of the post office and sub-treasury in this city are crowds talking politics and shouting for Bryan. They hold the side-walks from morning till night—and very late at night at that. The situation in Illinois is not so bright. Everything depends on the city of Chicago. The coercion and bull-dozing of employees in that city makes it almost impossible to form a reliable estimate of the democratic strength there. Certain it is that the democrats are more confident of victory than are the republicans. If the laboring classes are allowed to vote as they wish in Chicago, the town by the lake will unquestionably go for Bryan. In the farming districts of the state everything is for free silver. Even the chickens have more silvery feathers this year than usual. The writer recently drove from Vandalia to Potosi, Illinois, a distance of 15 miles. He polled every farmer along the road, with the exception of three, who were not at home. In many cases there were two or more voters on each farm. The result gave Bryan 39, McKinley 4, Palmer 2, and doubtful 3. The next day the writer polled the "Chapel Hill" precinct in Marion county, with the following result: Bryan, 52; McKinley, 14; Palmer, 2; doubtful, 6. This is a fair sample of the sentiment among the farmers in southern Illinois. In the northern part of the state there are more republicans, but still not enough to by any means equal the democrats and populists. Thousands of former republicans will vote for Bryan. Money has been spent by the Hanna syndicate as freely as the other were worthless. But in the end, right will triumph. Allowing a republican plurality in Chicago of 25,000, which is all that Hanna claims, it seems almost a sure thing that Bryan will carry Illinois by fully 35,000 majority. Even without Illinois, Iowa, Michigan or New Jersey or Minnesota, Bryan is absolutely sure of election. Iowa is doubtful, but Michigan and Indiana will join the democratic column. Bryan is as good as elected. Cut this out and compare it with the result.

WILTON E. HURNELL.

THE AMENDMENTS.

The ballots for the various proposed constitutional amendments are in the hands of the county clerk and voters will be given the privilege of voicing their sentiments thereon next Tuesday. The ballots are so arranged that a voter can vote for all the amendments by simply making an X at the head of the ticket in a square space provided therefor. These amendments have been discussed through the columns of THE DEMOCRAT and to the editor each seems worthy of support. To save time, trouble and confusion, make an X at the head of the ticket in the space opposite the words "For the proposed constitutional amendments—Yes." You will then have done your duty as an elector.

These amendments are non-partisan, and all parties are urging their adoption. This should be sufficient reason for supporting them. Don't forget to ask for an amendments ballot when you go in your booth to vote. Your duty as a citizen demands that you vote on these questions, and your duty as a friend of good government demands that you vote for all the amendments.

McKinley says that free trade is the parent or trusts, yet while in every speech denounces the parent he never says a word about the children. This peculiar attitude is hard to explain. Speak out, Mr. McKinley, speak out.

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without your knowledge.

And THE DEMOCRAT still pursues the even tenor of its way, gaining friends and subscribers but laying up no spondulicks. If Bryan is elected and that great financial crash comes on as predicted by Hanna et al, this paper won't lose much money. Now is the time to renew.

FROM MAINE.
In a letter to a prominent eastern exchange, E. C. Dow, of Monroe, Maine, says: "The State election was fought on national lines, and the republican managers had unlimited money and means to work with. Probably they never before spent so much in a campaign. With a host of famous speakers and a great supply of literature, they used every means to influence voters. The 50-cent dollar lie was effectively used and made some votes. Since the election republicans are very willing to admit that a 50-cent dollar is a constitutional impossibility in this country. But it made a good campaign lie to use in place of argument, and hence was so used. But the reaction is coming, and it will be strong and great. In concluding this letter let me refer to our candidate for Vice President. No man in Maine has a better reputation among the people at large than Hon. Arthur Sewall. He is known far and near as a man of sound, practical common sense, and, while he is a millionaire, he has got his wealth honestly and makes a good use of it. No man in America would make a safer or more acceptable officer than will Mr. Sewall."

FOR STATE SENATOR.
Dr. W. B. Ely, republican candidate for state senator from this district, spoke here last Saturday night, and Judge Otto Mutz, populist candidate for the same office, spoke here the night before. The opportunity of hearing these two men was embraced by a large number of our townspeople, and it is safe to say that neither made nor lost votes by his appearance here. Such is the condition of the minds of our people—they are not to be changed by a speech. There was one peculiarity about these speeches which created much comment, but as each candidate offended in the same way not much is said by the champions of either man. Judge Mutz talked about an hour and a half, and never intimated that he was a candidate for office, or touched upon state questions. Dr. Ely talked about two hours and never intimated that he was a candidate for office or touched upon state questions. Thus voters are left in doubt as to which of these two men to support for the office for which they are running. What do they think of the insurance laws? Are they in favor of the valued policy or mutual insurance? Do they believe in the proposed free range law? What is their opinion on the irrigation and beet sugar questions? Would either if elected endeavor to assist the district in securing legislation favorable to it? What do they think of the way our state institutions are being and have been conducted? Would either if elected endeavor to serve the will of their constituents or would they jump at the crack of the party whip? These are all live questions to the voters of the 14th senatorial district, as much so as the finance questions. Our state senators are not even remotely connected with financial legislation, and while it is well for all candidates to express themselves on national issues, this paper does not believe that a candidate for a lower office should confine himself to a discussion of questions which pertain to positions above and beyond that to which he aspires. Dr. Ely is an ardent gold standard man, and Judge Mutz is as ardent a free silver man. That's all the voters know about them. Perhaps it is a good thing for Mutz that this